GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA

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Protection of Flood and Erosion by Rivers
Tasa Shri Kamakhya Prasad

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is fully responsible for schemes/projects for protection of floods and erosion in the country, if so, the details thereof;
(b) the measures taken to solve the floods and erosion problems faced by the people of the country including Assam from river Brahmaputra, Barak and its tributaries;
(c) whether the Government of Assam has submitted any proposal to the Union Government to solve the problems of erosion and floods in Assam; and
(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION
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(a) Flood Management being under the purview of the States, the schemes for flood control are formulated and implemented by concerned States as per their own priority. The Union Government supports the efforts of the States by providing technical guidance and also promotional financial assistance for management of floods in critical areas.
(b) The Government of India has launched the Flood Management Programme (FMP) for providing central assistance to States for works related to river management, anti-erosion, restoration of damage flood management works, anti-sea erosion etc. Under this programme, a total of 522 projects were approved in XI and XII Plan and central assistance of Rs 4873.07 crore has been released till date, out of which an amount of Rs. 1307.07 crore was released in XII Plan. A total of 141 projects of State of Assam with approved cost of Rs. 2383.11 crore have been included under Flood Management Programme during XI and XII Plan. An amount of Rs. 748.86 crore during XI plan and Rs. 64.89 crore during XII plan has been released to the State of Assam under Flood Management Programme.

The Government of India had set up Brahmaputra Board at Guwahati in 1980 for advising the North Eastern States on water resources development matters including flood management. Brahmaputra Board has prepared 57 Master Plans suggesting appropriate measures for water resources development and flood control.

(c) & (d) During XII Plan, Govt. of Assam has submitted a total 136 project proposals costing Rs. 11718.17 crore for techno economic appraisal. Of these, 59 project proposals costing Rs. 2079.65 crore have been cleared, 74 schemes have been returned/deleted, 2 schemes are under examination in CWC while response to one scheme is awaited from the State Govt. of Assam.

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